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## ESTIMATES BULLETIN 08-03 (Revised)

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SUBJECT: LAP and JPA Construction Estimates in Work Program (Phase 58)

### ISSUE:

Projects in the LAP and JPA Programs have increased in size, number and complexity in the past few years. This fact, coupled with a corresponding interest by Federal Highway Administration in increasing oversight of the LAP Program, makes it imperative that the construction cost estimates for these projects be reviewed.

There are several reasons why these estimates must be available:

- With very limited resources, we need to ensure our funds are being used efficiently and effectively
- FHWA requires a detailed scope and an engineer's estimate prior to agreement execution.
- When reviewing the work program for statutory compliance and in addressing questions from the Legislature, Executive Office of the Governor and Executive Management. For example: "What amounts are programmed for landscaping?" We need to ensure the data is readily available for reporting.

### REQUIREMENTS:

District Estimates Offices shall ensure that construction cost estimates for all LAP and JPA projects are loaded into the Long Range Estimates (LRE) System. This includes projects that are partially funded by DOT. The LRE should be loaded using FDOT pay items to the extent possible for identifying scope of work. Local agency specific items or scope of work that does not fit traditional FDOT pay items can be loaded in LRE using the ex-item component.

### CRITERIA FOR ESTIMATE REVIEW:

All LAP and JPA projects with a construction (phase 58) cost estimate of greater than \$500,000 will be reviewed by Central Office Estimates during the annual Work Program Review. All bridge reconstruction/replacement projects regardless of the estimate amount will be reviewed. Projects where construction cost estimates have not been loaded in LRE will be shown on the Work Program Exception List.

### IMPLEMENTATION:

Central Office Estimates will begin reviewing the construction cost estimates for these projects for the upcoming Work Program Development in late August 2008 for Fiscal Years 2010 – 2014.

If there are any questions concerning this bulletin, please feel free to contact Greg Davis at (850)414-4170 or Kathy Kuester (850)414-4561.